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from that area would cease coming... (New York Times, Aug. 5, 1953.) And General Eisenhower might have added cobalt, manganese, oil, rice, rubber, uranium, tin and tungsten in his attempted justification for the use of public funds for special interests.

Twelve years later a Democratic Senator, Gale McGee, of Wyoming, in a Senate speech Feb. 17, '65, attempted to justify the killing of Vietnamese men, women, and children, and American boys in these words: "The Empire in Southeast Asia is the last large resource area outside the control of any one of the major powers... it can upset the balance of the world... I believe that the condition of the

Chinese, now threatening to explode into a world disaster, could not, in my considered judgment, have been pulled off without the mistake of a Congressional peacetime conscription act. This war could be ended in a short time even now if the Congress had refused to extend military conscription beyond June 30, 1967. Senator Richard B. Russell gave unintentional support to this view in the Senate draft debate, May 11, 1967, when he stated, "If we are to go into the open market and hire men to constitute an armed force of 3,500,000 men, there would hardly be enough money to carry on the other operations of government."

When Senator Russell made the state-

isolation of lack of Americans in slums and poverty. Knowing these conditions one would imagine that the loudest voice for cessation of U.S. participation in the Vietnam war would be that of Black Americans.

Add to the problem of the urban Negroes that of some of the rural Southern Negroes and the justification for demanding the US withdrawal from Vietnam becomes compelling. One has only to consider the recent report by some doctors of the conditions that prevail in the Mississippi Delta:

"... We saw homes with children who are lucky to eat one meal a day... who don't get milk, fruit, green vegetables, or meat... They have literally nothing... They are living under such primitive conditions that we found it hard to believe we were examining American children of the 20th Century." Yet the U.S. government spends billions in Vietnam. According to the recent Republican Party white paper on the Vietnam war the U.S. is spending "one-fifth of its entire national budget" on the Vietnam conflict alone.

And consider the horrible incongruity of being able to spend billions abroad to make war on humans and not being able to spend 20 million dollars at home to make war on rats.

Black Americans should disassociate themselves from any implication that they approve of or condone the Vietnam war. They should let it be known that they object to having Black American fighting men asked to lay down their lives in Vietnam, because the real fight for freedom is right here, right now.

senible elections which resulted in an equally farcical Constitution and Assembly was only one of the more recent examples. The village chief elections were another. Some of the "respectables" are now say-

only will our soldiers in Vietnam have died for nothing, but all those who fought and died in WW II to defeat the very thing we now promote will have died for nothing.

Directory of vets groups

The following is a directory of Veterans for Peace groups we knew of. Please send in immediately any corrections or additions you know should be made. If you see a group listed in your area, join

them. If you don't see one, contact VSP, Box 4520, Chicago, Ill. 60640, and we'll put you in touch with other vets in your locality so you can start one. Go to it!

Atlanta Veterans for Peace
41 Exchange Place SE
Atlanta, Georgia 30303
Tel. (404) 523-6624

Illwaukee Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
c/o Irv Kuril, Suite 211
1012 North 3rd St.
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53203
Tel. (414) 273-6316

Boston-Cambridge Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
351 Massachusetts Ave., Apt. 1
Cambridge, Massachusetts 02139
Tel. (617) 547-2370

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
Box 4028, University Station
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55414

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
P.O. Box 4373
Chicago, Ill. 60650
Tel. (312) 421-7499
(Office: 1400 W. Madison St., Rm. 201)

New Jersey Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
17-19 Jorman Road
Fair Lawn, New Jersey

Veterans Against the War
1101 W. Warren Avenue
Detroit, Michigan
Tel. (313) 822-5700

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
Box 20, Old-Eheben Station
New York, New York 10011

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
c/o Jim Thomas
334 Charles Street
East Lansing, Michigan

Vietnam Veterans Against the War
17 East 17th Street
New York, New York 10003
Tel. (212) 937-7376

Veterans and Reservists for Peace in Vietnam
c/o Kalousek, 1st Floor
1140 Randolph St.
Gary, Indiana 46403
Tel. (719) 938-7127

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
P.O. Box 7553
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19101

Long Island Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
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Great Neck, New York

Pittsburgh Veterans for Peace
Box 105
Carnegie Mellon University
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15213
Tel. (412) 521-7441

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
c/o Allen Zak
542 North Alexandria
Los Angeles, California 90004

Rockland County Veterans for Peace
P.O. Box 1
Sloatsburg, New York 10974

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
c/o Bob Wilkinson
202 Marion St.
Madison, Wisconsin 53703
Tel. (608) 256-0357

Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
c/o Peace Center
1544 Seventh Avenue
San Diego, Cal. 92101
Tel. (714) 232-6219

Miami Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
P.O. Box 323 (Kendall)
Miami, Florida 33156
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Veterans Pro Pax in Vietnam, San Juan
c/o Dr. Raphael Navarro Cadix
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Westchester Co. (NY)
Veterans for Peace in Vietnam
11 Dutch Street
Montrose, New York

Dr. King
was right

Last year Dr. Martin Luther King was roundly condemned by much of the American press and by many government officials for associating the civil rights movement with the anti-war movement; it was claimed that great harm would be done the cause of civil rights in this country. Unfortunately many Negroes were swayed by these arguments against Dr. King and refrained from supporting him in his anti-war activities. It is to be hoped that recent occurrences in U.S. cities will indicate to them that they have been duped.

The recent racial disturbances in some U.S. cities should serve to convince the—until now—reluctant element of the Negro community that the war in Vietnam is not conducive to their interests. These disturbances have pointed up the hopelessness and despair of so much of the black population of this country. It is probably irrelevant whether the majority of Negroes agree or the immorality of American action in Vietnam. But it must surely be obvious—and rapidly becoming so—that it is ridiculous to concentrate so much American money in Vietnam when we have a major crisis right here in the U.S. The crisis of inadequate education and the

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and good name of America, you'll be in Washington October 21st. For full details, contact any local peace organization, the National Mobilization Committee, (address above) or us.

The text:

HOW SHOULD WE SUPPORT OUR MEN IN VIETNAM?

1. Do we send more to be killed and maimed? Already (to be filled in with current figure when published) Americans have been killed and.....wounded. Over 1,500,000 Vietnamese men, women and children are casualties.
 2. Or should we bring them home now—ALIVE?
- We veterans of Vietnam and earlier wars agree with Gen. David M. Shoup (Ret.), U.S. Marine Corps Commandant during the Cuban missile crisis, who said:

"I believe that if we had and would keep our dirty, bloody, dollar-crooked fingers out of the business of these nations so full of depressed, exploited people, they will arrive at a solution of their own. That they design and want. That they fight and work for.... and not the American style, which they don't want and above all don't want crammed down their throats by Americans.

"... what is happening, no matter how carefully and slowly the military escalation has progressed, may be projecting us toward world catastrophe."

We veterans of Vietnam and earlier wars agree with Adm. Arnold E. True (Ret.), U.S. Navy, who has written: "We can end the Vietnam fiasco without dishonor by withdrawing our troops and letting the Vietnamese settle their own problems."

REAL SUPPORT FOR OUR MEN IN VIETNAM COMES FROM THOSE WHO DEMAND:
"BRING OUR TROOPS HOME NOW!!!!"

*Speaking at the annual Junior College World Affairs Day, Pierce College, Los Angeles, May 14, 1966, and reaffirmed in an interview, ABC-TV Scope program, August 6, 1967.

*Writing to the editor of the Palo Alto, Calif., Times, March 3, 1966.

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These items will be of great use to us in our peace education effort. Many thanks.
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Offer draft

The next issue of VS&SP will contain a major article on the growing Draft Resistance movement in the U.S. Meanwhile, those who are interested in this front of opposition to the war or want specific advice on their own Selective Service situation can contact the Draft Resistance Clearinghouse, 3 Francis Ct., Madison, Wisconsin 53703, tel. (608) 253-6375.

N.Y. vets: 'Free Levy'

New York vets joined August 5th in a 2000-strong march led thru Midtown Manhattan streets by a large contingent of white-clad doctors, nurses, medical students and hospital workers. The marchers called for release on bail of Dr. Howard B. Levy, U.S. Army Captain sentenced to three years at hard labor for refusing to train Special Forces aidmen on grounds they use medicine primarily for political and military purposes.

At a concluding rally the demonstrators heard two Viet vets: Dr. Arthur S. Blank, Jr., chief psychiatrist in Saigon and Dien Hoa hospitals in 1955-6; and Jan Crumb, Coordinator of Vietnam Veterans Against the War.

Dr. Blank said, "Officers and sergeants in this country and abroad, in basic training centers, in hospitals, and in the base camps in Vietnam, building and maintaining an army and fighting a war, know full well that among them many dissent from national policy and object to the war. Opposition does not stop at the induction center. In my experience, the belief that what we are doing in Asia is wrong, is as widespread in the Army as it is among all our people."

"The soldier's patience is great, but it is not endless," Dr. Blank concluded, "and we thank Dr. Levy for reminding the nation of that. Someday, what is happening this summer in America's cities, could happen in America's army. We do not have forever to end this war."

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October 21st...

A letter to the President

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warmaking center's "normal" business of organizing wholesale death. Many thousands of the marchers are expected to block all Pentagon entrances to stop the war machine for as long as possible.

Those people who can are urged to remain in Washington Sunday, Oct. 22, and possibly longer for additional actions. Veterans will hold their first national conference Sunday.

Build-up activities for October 21st include:

Daily actions at Washington Selective Service Hq. and House and Senate Armed Services Committees starting Sept. 11th.

A National Draft Refusal action Oct. 16th, sponsored by The Resistance movement.

Peace caravans of cars from all parts of the U.S.

A huge Washington folk-rock fund-raising concert Friday night, Oct. 20th, kicking off the weekend.

Vets are signing a statement quoting opposition to the war by General David M. Shoup, former U.S. Marine Commandant, and Rear Admiral Arnold E. True, which will be published in papers in cities throughout the U.S. along with calls to local citizens to join the Peace Army.

The full text and a signature blank appear below. Please sign it if you are a veteran, and get it back to us at P.O. Box 4598, Chicago, Ill. 60680. Vets and non-vets alike, let us know how many additional copies you want for circulation.

Signed copies of the statement must be mailed in by October 1, 1967 to insure publication. Be sure to indicate whether your vets group is planning to publish the ad locally.

Vietnam Veterans Against the War are placing their own ad in the New York Times and may be contacted at 17 E. 17th St., N.Y., N.Y. 10003 (tel. 212 989-9376).

The next issue of VS&SP will carry specific plans concerning vets' participation in this important peace action. Not to wait -- start your local organizing now with your ideas so we can

The following letter was sent to President Lyndon Johnson by a Chicago veteran:

Dear Mr. President:

Recent events prompt me to write you this letter. Words fail me to express my horror and condemnation of your present course of action in Viet Nam.

Not too long ago I had a vivid dream that I can not forget. I saw a South Vietnamese named Thoung Bang in his black pajamas, perching these words on his knees while hidden in a rice paddy:

"These are the times that try men's souls. The black marketeer and the Saigon General will shrink from the service of his country, but he who stands it now deserves the love and thanks of man and woman. Tyranny like Hell is not easily conquered. Yet we have this one consolation, that the harder the fight the more glorious the triumph."

Later, coming to a hamlet, I saw a group of South Vietnamese soldiers interrogating a so-called Viet Cong about 15 years old. The American adviser had just turned him over to this group. He had just been caught with some stolen hand grenades made in the U.S.A.

Would you know that he gurgled thru the blood as they slowly slit his throat, these words: "I regret that I have but one neck to lose for my country." His name was Nathang Hang.

Before I woke up I came upon a group of guerrillas gathered around a jungle fire. Their leader appeared to be giving an impassioned speech ending with these words: "As for myself, either give me liberty or give me death."

Does this ring a bell? When will we return to our traditional policy of self-determination for all people?

The so-called credibility gap is fast becoming a chasm. Mr. President, the reasons you and your administration give us for our involvement in Viet Nam are too shallow and narrow for any thinking citizen. You have fooled all of the people some of the time. Now the time is fast approaching when you will fool nobody. The only support you will retain will be the very rich that today are with you.

and civil war in this country.

I joined the Veterans for Peace in Viet Nam because I have a vision of a better world. I leaflet the induction center here in Chicago every week with the enclosed leaflet which quotes six military leaders. They express my sentiments more eloquently than I ever could.

In closing I beseech you, Mr. President to reverse our present policy which can only lead this nation toward destruction. Withdraw our troops now, and end the war. If for any reason you feel you can not do this, I suggest you resign. Otherwise, history written of this period, will, I am sure, record you as being the most dastardly President this nation ever had.

A Wood-Cutter from Illinois
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Dissent right periled

Congressional hawks and segregationists are pushing a series of laws aimed at stifling dissent and protest. These include the Cramer (so-called) "anti-riot" bill (H.R. 421); a revival of the defunct Subversive Activities Control (McCarran) Act (H.R. 10390 & 10391); and the Pool "war dissenters" bill (H.R. 8).

H.R. 421 has passed the House; the others will be coming up soon for vote in both the House and Senate. Your letter or wire to your Congressman and Senators can help stop these blows to First Amendment freedoms.

For further information on these bills and what to do about them: Write National Committee to Abolish HUAC, PO Box 74757, Los Angeles, Calif. 90001 or 431 S. Dearborn St., Room S03, Chicago, Ill. 60605.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

Could you send me the list of veterans against the war who live in New England (Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont)? I would like to get your hands on a New England listing of all the V.P.W.s

Shoup...

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Vietnam was willing to negotiate.

The program opened with the following tribute paid to General Shoup by President Johnson in a White House ceremony in 1963 upon Shoup's retirement as Commandant of the Marine Corps:

"We have come here to the first house of the land today to honor General David M. Shoup, not because of the victories which he has brought to our country, but also for the honors he has brought to our heritage. He is a man of great discipline who cares about people."

"I deeply regret his retirement from the service for he is one of an uncommon breed whose numbers are too small and whose duplication is too rare. I would personally have had him continue as Commandant of the Marine Corps."

It followed with:

GEN. SHOUP (speaking to Seals, August, 1967): I don't believe that, with respect to the freedom and security of the people of the United States of America, for today or in the future that the whole of South Vietnam is worth the life of a single American.

Atlanta vets march, visit Captain Levy

Atlanta's Hiroshima Day Peace Parade, the largest demonstration against the Viet war so far in the South with over 600 marchers, was led by the newly formed Veterans for Peace in Vietnam. The two dozen vets, black and white, and wearing their caps, included the Rev. Ralph Abernathy, a leader of Dr. Martin Luther King's Southern Christian Leadership Council.

The Atlanta vets organized a solidarity delegation which visited Capt. Howard Levy, the Army doctor court-martialed for his anti-war convictions, on Sunday, Aug. 20th, at Ft. Jackson, Columbia, South Carolina.

They report Dr. Levy in excellent spirit. "Levy has supporters on the base. Possibly 10-15 fellows wear pro-Levy buttons, who off base in civilian clothes. He said there is much anti-war sentiment among the officers and men."